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**THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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GOLDEN, Randy )  
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Application No. 09/966,739 )  
Confirmation No. 3563 ) Group Art Unit: 1722  
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Filed: September 28, 2001 ) Examiner: Tentoni, Leo B.  
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For: METHOD OF FORMING ROLLED LIPS )  
ON THERMOPLASTIC CONTAINERS )

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**REPLY TO DECEMBER 5, 2003 OFFICE ACTION  
FILED IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 5, 2003. A shortened statutory period of three months has been set for response, making this Reply due on March 5, 2003. Therefore, this Reply is considered timely. Reconsideration of the referenced application, including all pending claims, is respectfully requested in light of the amendments and the remarks set forth below.

This Amendment and Reply is being submitted in a form which complies with revised 37 C.F.R. 1.121. Accordingly, all pending claims are identified by number and appropriate status identifier.